



AMCC Riders' Briefs

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT – DECEMBER 2023



Hi Everyone,

The Suzuki – Auckland Motorcycle Club Series is all wrapped up for another year, and you'll find the report for Round Two inside this issue.

There was some angst around the Series points for a period – the combination of a human error, followed later by a technical error, caused some tension – but Speedhive now has the correct Series points. We apologise for the confusion this created, and are seeking processes to prevent a repeat.

Included in this issue you'll find the lucky competitor who took home the NEW Suzuki GSX 250F at Round Four. Congratulations Rongyuan Zhang; another rider who has transitioned from Track Days, and is now in his first season of road-race. His statement of disbelief – when his name was called – was an instant classic.

Huge "Thanks" go to Suzuki NZ for their support over the past two Club Series. They have been right in behind us, and the Club very much appreciates their supportive approach with AMCC. Outstanding – Thank you Simon ... We look forward to continuing the relationship next season.

You'll recall we ran Round 3 (sometimes called 2A) on the Club Circuit back in November, and a neat meeting it was. The Club did end up taking a small loss on that event, but that's ok. We learnt a lot, and the ambition to develop a successful programme on that circuit still exists. Stand-by for more.

Unbelievably, we're now just a couple of weeks out from Xmas – where has the year gone !

The Club remains busy. Debriefs from the Club Series are planned. Whilst we turn our immediate focus to all things MotoFest. And also plan ahead for the AGM and Prize-Giving – where we'll get to celebrate and acknowledge the volunteer team that make the Club Series happen.

Meanwhile our competitors are currently into the Suzuki International Series, and NZSBK. Unfortunately the weather wasn't very summery for Taupo last weekend, but it's got to get better --- right ?

Last thing to say is to wish EVERYONE a very Merry Xmas & Happy New Year – on behalf of AMCC. To all our Sponsors, Partners, Supporters, Club Members, Competitors, Volunteers, and all those who hold roles with the Club. I trust you, and your families, will all enjoy a cracking summer.

I plan to spend time with family, and get some riding in – and have not thought much beyond that.

That's about it for now ... As always - please don't be shy to offer the Club your feedback, ideas, suggestions, and help. We welcome all the views and support that you bring to what is YOUR Club.

Stay safe out there, on the streets and circuits.

Philip Kavermann | AMCC President

MNZ News:



EVENT BEHAVIOUR - Reminder

15 November 2023

Event Behaviour - Reminder

We have seen a steady increase in inappropriate behaviour at events and across different social media platforms. While these incidents are not related and are across all disciplines across the country the frequency and nature of these issues is starting to become a serious issue.

As we start to head in to our summer events along with our National and Championship events across the country, we feel it is worth a timely reminder to everyone involved in our great sport, of the requirements and duties of everyone that is a current member of MNZ.

All officials are being reminded and given more training and tools to deal with certain situations, however they should not need this as long as everyone follows the rules.

Members are expected to conduct themselves in a courteous and socially acceptable manner. Threats, abuse or physical violence will not be tolerated and provocation may not be accepted as an excuse.

All officials, and volunteers gift hundreds of hours each year to ensure everyone can enjoy riding at venues and events safely. Without these people events simply would not happen. If certain Officials chose to leave the event because of any abuse the event would need to be cancelled.

All officials are approachable, they make mistakes, and they are happy to listen to feed back, but please talk and listen to them with the respect they deserve. They are there to follow the rules and they will be more than happy to assist you. The Steward(s) of the meeting do have the right to remove anyone from an event.

MNZ members are responsible for their guests that attend events. This includes family, friends, pit crew and any other supporters. You must ensure that these people comply with the minimum standards set out in the MNZ code of conduct. Parents if you sign your child into an event you are also responsible for these guests.

Social media abuse is a serious offence within the law of NZ.

Some abusive behaviour may be against the law.

Be a good role model – everyone is watching and learn from you and others around you. Make sure you set a good example.

If for any reason you feel you have been abused the complaint process is in the link below.

For the full MNZ Code of conduct follow this link
<https://mnz.co.nz/manuals-policies/policies/code-of-conduct/>

We all look forward to getting out and riding our bikes, we hope to see our sport return to the fun, fair and safe environment we all know.

MNZ

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Suzuki Give-Away Winner:



Auckland Motorcycle Club
MEDIA RELEASE
2023-24 Suzuki – Auckland Motorcycle Club Series
20 November, 2023.

Second Lucky Draw Winner Having A Ball:



Rongyuan Zhang

For the second year in a row, the weather wasn't so flash at the final Round of the 2023-2024 Suzuki - Auckland Motorcycle Club Series, held on 19 November, at Hampton Downs.

But that couldn't keep the smile from the face of Rongyuan Zhang, the lucky draw winner who took home a brand new Suzuki GSX250F at the end of the day.

Auckland Motorcycle Club, in conjunction with Suzuki NZ, had once again made a bike available to one lucky eligible competitor who had entered all three Club Series (National Circuit) Rounds, and had taken to the circuit for Race One (at the minimum) at each Round.

AMCC Life Member Trevor Heaphy completed the draw with Stephen Holden, AMCC Club Secretary; and Rongyuan was temporarily in disbelief when his name was called.

“What the @#%#” was the reaction, once the enormity of the situation dawned on him.

And what another worthy winner he was.

Rongyuan is testament to everything AMCC strives to achieve with our events.

A first season rider in road-race, Rongyuan spoke after the draw, of the positive experience he had, stepping up from track days. AMCC has lately been active in this space, with several members engaging and encouraging the track day community to extend their experience.

Whilst acknowledging that a race meeting was quite different to a track day, Rongyuan offered the view that his riding had improved noticeably, now that he was racing.

And this was reflected in improved lap times, which were possible due to sharing track time, and pit time, with riders with a wide range of race experience – in an environment that stimulates competition.

He had no doubt he was now going faster than ever.

Rongyuan has competed this season in the Clubman Senior class, within the Senior category.

Running a Yamaha R6, he has shared the track with riders up to NZSBK level talent.

So - how appropriate to see the sweet 250 go to such another worthy lucky draw winner.

The 2023-2024 Suzuki – Auckland Motorcycle Club Series is organised and promoted by the Auckland Motorcycle Club – who acknowledge all our valuable partners and sponsors:-

Suzuki NZ, Motomail, Mr Motorcycles, M&M Engineering, Carl Cox Motorsport Cup, MTF Finance, CTAS, and MX Timing.



(L-R) Trevor Heaphy, Rongyuan Zhang, and Stephen Holden



(39) Rongyuan Zhang has competed this season on a Yamaha R6, in Clubman Senior

Suzuki – AMCC Club Series: *Round 2*



Sidecars: (55) Peter Dowman / Michael Dowman



Sidecars: (46) Bradder / Kerslake, (135) Spencer / Spencer, (50) James / Shields



Senior: (15) Rogan Chandler, (23) Jordan Burley, (19) Dave Sharp



Senior: (19) Dave Sharp

All Images: ASP



How's this for a gaggle in Senior:

(99) Luke Temple, (44) Marcus Read-Bloomfield, (57) Matthew Drayson, (47) Paul Jenkins, (79) Stephen Leggett, (65) Craig Coulam, (81) Spencer Langdon, (23) Daniel Price, (74) Ian Hoongyan Chan, (81) Alex Langdon



Senior: (15) Rogan Chandler



Senior: (74) Ian Hoongyan Chan, (16) Reece Swan, (71) Finn Rutha



Senior: (43) Alastair Hoogenboezem



Senior: (99) Luke Temple



Senior: (57) Matthew Drayson



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CTAS News:



Media Release November 2023:

To all our regular viewers, supporters, advertisers, event holders, friends and colleagues. We felt that it was important to write and advise you all in advance. With regard to the 2023/2024 MNZ National Championship competitions, namely NZSBK and NZMX all rounds, MNZ have advised us that they do not require our services in providing Live Streaming and Video Recordings of these events.

You may wonder why this has happened. The only reason provided to us was that of cost. Our quotes for this season included minimal price increases that were 30% less than CPI, even though the Cost of living is significantly impacting our operational expenses. If you require further information, we suggest you could contact the Series Organisers, (MNZ) or for financial information, members can review the MNZ 2022 annual financial report, available online at mnz.co.nz.

This note is not a plea for help, review or any follow-up, as the decision has been made, and we have changed our summer plans now. So, for us, that is it.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who have supported us at some time over the last 13 years: Boyd Motorcycles, WIL Sport, Tim Gibbes Track Timing, NV Motorcycles, Race Supplies, Moto1. Also a special mention to some of the many Clubs: AMCC, BOPMCC, TaupoMCC, MCI, SCMCC, MNZ and to people who have helped with camera work: Joseph Shirriffs, Murray Collingwood, Rod Forrest, Blake Parlane. We remember certain people who helped all this start: Graeme Billington, Ian Dawson, Tim & Joan Gibbes (may they rest in peace), Neil and Brad Ritchie, Nicole Bol, Graeme Spyda Staples. We have worked alongside and with many other people. You are not forgotten, just too many to mention. A huge thank you to you all.

We wish all competitors the very best for the coming season/s.

Grant Collingwood
Director
Ctas NZ Ltd

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23 / 24 DATES AND VENUES

ROUND 1 HAMPTON DOWNS
17 SEPTEMBER

ROUND 4 HAMPTON DOWNS
19 NOVEMBER

ROUND 2 HAMPTON DOWNS
15 OCTOBER

ROUND 3 HAMPTON DOWNS
2/3 MARCH
MOTOFEST

ROUND 3 HAMPTON DOWNS
5 NOVEMBER TBC

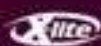
ROUND 4 TAUPU MOTORSPORT PARK
9/10 MARCH



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“10 YEARS AGO” ...

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*F1/F2 leaves the line – Sloan Frost, Toby Summers and Ray Clew leading away
Round 3, Club Championship Series*

Photo : Phil Kavermann

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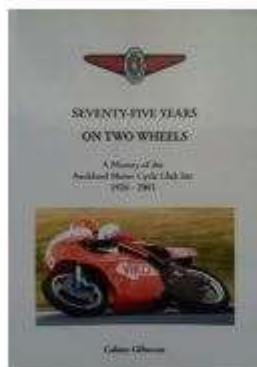
Two Hour Race Results

A new record number of laps & an amazing stat of an average lap time of 29.93 for a whole hour of racing by winner Nathanael Diprose. That's faster than everybody else's superpole time except for Avalon's.

Pos	No.	Name	Laps	Diff	Best Tm
1	88	David Diprose & Nathanael Diprose	234		29.281
2	63	Glen Orwin & Avalon Biddle	233	1 Lap	29.845
3	32	Daniel Mettam & Royd Walker Holt	227	7 Laps	30.433
4	18	Rod Gibson & Tim Fraser	224	10 Laps	30.979
5	52	Rick Ford & Henk Zeeven	222	12 Laps	30.396
6	20	Warrick Head & Nigel Reardon	217	17 Laps	32.38
7	71	Christopher Cain & Karl Messiter	216	18 Laps	31.46
8	30	Doug Stockwell & Blair Lambarth	215	19 Laps	30.993
9	31	Gavin Veltmeyer & Steve Booth	209	25 Laps	29.944
10	53	Oscar Olson & Simon Ramsoaus	183	51 Laps	33.004
DNF	43	Max Olson & Nick Olson	22	DNF	30.545
DNF	99	Stephen Douglas & Nicholas Hill	19	DNF	35.549
DQ	12	Huge Trenhome & David Hall	152	DQ	29.988

Two Hour Superpole

Pos	No.	Name	Best Tm
1	63	Glen Orwin & Avalon Biddle	29.297
2	88	David Diprose & Nathanael Diprose	29.441
3	52	Rick Ford & Henk Zeeven	30.274
4	31	Gavin Veltmeyer & Steve Booth	30.345
5	12	Huge Trenhome & David Hall	30.537
6	43	Max Olson & Nick Olson	30.573
7	32	Daniel Mettam & Royd Walker Holt	30.792
8	18	Rod Gibson & Tim Fraser	30.917
9	71	Christopher Cain & Karl Messiter	31.54
10	30	Doug Stockwell & Blair Lambarth	31.577
11	20	Warrick Head & Nigel Reardon	32.569
12	99	Stephen Douglas & Nicholas Hill	34.073
13	53	Oscar Olson & Simon Ramsoaus	35.008
14	92	Brian Steffensen & Kamil Chodor	35.117



“Seventy-Five Years On Two Wheels”

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MotoGP:



Marc Marquez riding a Ducati for the first time in MotoGP testing in Valencia





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The Force

The AMCC have never had this situation arise before and they need to take advantage of it. The situation is that the AMCC has quantity 6; yes SIX riders under the age of 18 competing at not just one but all of the National Point Series rounds.

The Riders are:

Karl Morgan (600)

Rob Wynn Parke (GP125)

Ross King (GP125 & F3)

Sam Smith (GP125)

Andrew Graham (F3)

Mark Robinson (GP125)

All the above named riders have competed successfully at Street Stock 150 racing and have now moved on to be forces to be reckoned with in their respective classes.

This group of riders puts the AMCC in a position that most motorcycle clubs would only dream about and is the result of commitment of the AMCC over the past few years to develop young riders into the sport.

To recognise the effort of these young riders and the opportunity to develop other riders into the sport, assistance will be given with regards to offset the costs for them to race at the National events.

To date the AMCC has not awarded a scholarship for the 2003/2004 season.

In consideration of this, it has been decided that the AMCC allow the above riders free entry at the Auckland round of the Nationals and give an additional \$200 to each of the above if they:

- a. attend all four rounds
 - b. report to AMCC after each round on their performance
 - c. promote the AMCC as a sponsor with graphics on their bikes
- have a group and individual photos at the 2nd round of the AMCC club championships

The group will receive editorial coverage from "Kiwi Rider Magazine" on their efforts on behalf of the AMCC and it is hoped more coverage will follow.

AMCC Road Race committee.

ASBK:



Two wins on his Honda at The Bend, gave Troy Herfoss his third ASBK Superbike Championship

Penrite Honda Racing's Troy Herfoss is the 2023 Alpinestars Superbike Champion, after he won both races of the seventh and final round at The Bend Motorsports Park.

Herfoss and his title rival, McMartin Racing Ducati's Josh Waters came into the meeting locked on points and faced a winner-takes-all fight for the crown.

Herfoss won the ASBK Championship by 20 points over Waters, while Cru Halliday (Yamaha) was a point ahead of Glenn Allerton (BMW) and five ahead of Mike Jones (Yamaha).

Yamaha took out the Manufacturers Championship ahead of Ducati and BMW.

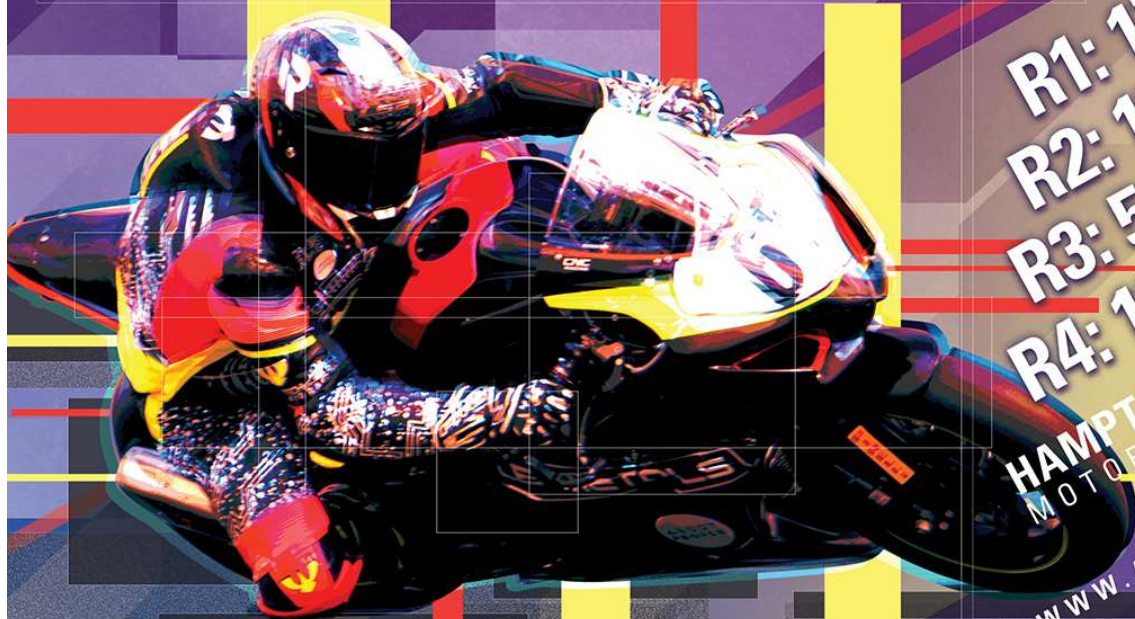


#21 Josh Waters and #17 Troy Herfoss. Images: ASBK



2023

Auckland Motorcycle Club Series



R1: 17 SEP
R2: 15 OCT
R3: 5 NOV
R4: 19 NOV

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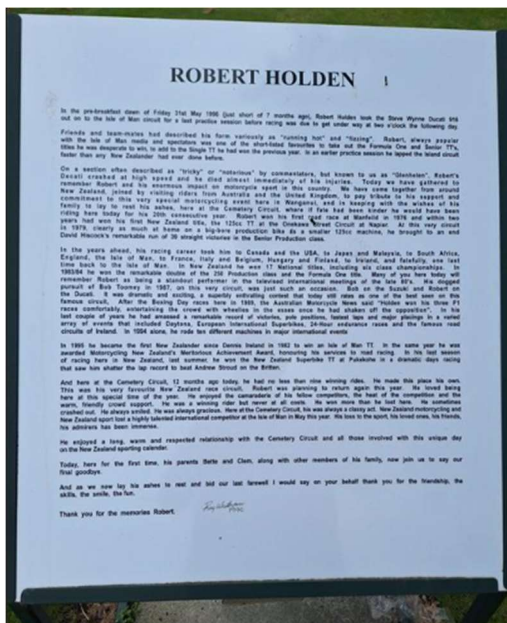
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Whanganui:



**December is Suzuki Series time ...
and the traditional street event at Whanganui on Boxing Day, to close out the Series.**



In the early years of the nineties decade one rider dominated like none other before. The experienced Robert Holden always returned from his international duties to compete on Boxing Day. Robert raced at the Cemetery Circuit for 19 consecutive years and at his last appearance in 1995 he started in twelve races in five different classes for nine wins and three second places. The Cemetery Circuit was his favourite circuit and he was a favourite rider.

Sadly the following year Robert lost his life in a practice crash at the Isle of Man. On Boxing Day in 1996 in a moving ceremony his ashes were laid to rest at the flower-garden corner. The flower garden has since become a traffic island, and the corner is now the Robert Holden Corner, in a permanent tribute to the memory of the circuit's most successful rider. A bronze plague marks the spot.

<https://cemeterycircuit.co.nz/history/>



Bucket 2-Hour:



Bucket 2-Hour: Tokoroa - 26 Nov, 2023

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Competitor</u>	<u>Laps</u>
1	76	Colin Box & Gary Cunningham	158
2	37	Paul Ellis & Cody Green	158
3	52	Rick Ford & Blair Lambarth	157
4	31	Haydn Fordyce & Megan Kemp	154
5	27	Matt & Mark Drayson	152
6	110	Sam Koek & William Ball	150
7	57	Mark & Laurence Robinson	150
8	17	Scott Miller & Rob Jones	138
9	907	Ian Ranginui & Carl Smith	131
10	16	Andrew Ness & Tim Wigram	128
11	53	Alex Le Comte & Callum Osborne	125
12	98	Roger Heyward & Jamie Gifkins	121
DNF	8	Anthony Playdon & Alex McNab	143
DNF	21	Michael Green & Geoff Davies	143
DNF	69	Carl Barrett & Ben Tippins	5





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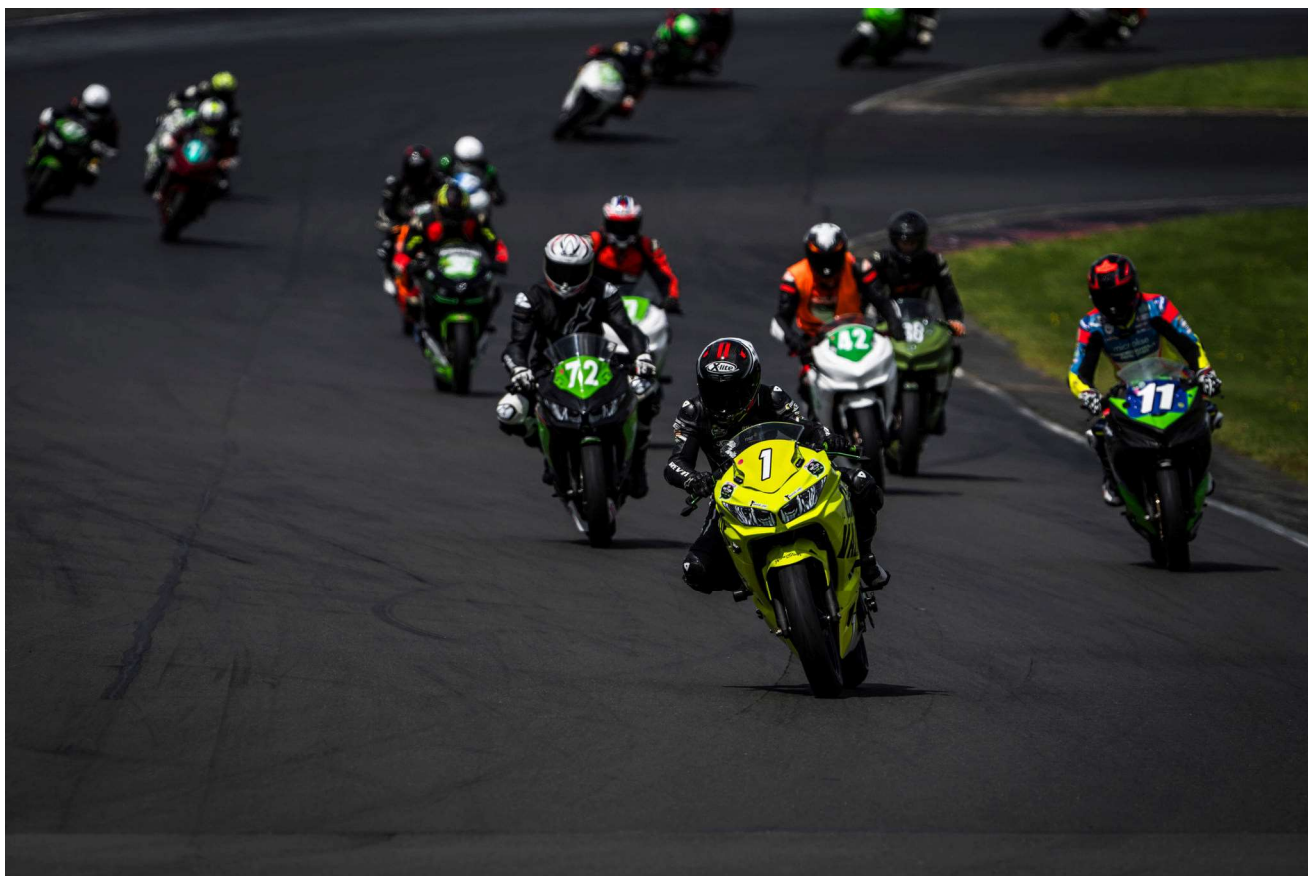


Suzuki – AMCC Club Series: *Round 2*



Junior: (31) Haydn Fordyce, (51) Cameron Leslie, (46) Hamish Simpson





Ninja Cup: (1) Billee Fuller, (11) Louis Johnston, (72) Michael Robinson, (42) Britten Somerville



Ninja Cup: (126) Blair Skelton, (96) Andrew Boldero, (88) Bryan Kidd, (17) Andrew Ansell



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From The Sidelines For Round Two:

Having managed to pick up a pretty good chest infection, I had to give Round Two a miss, but did use the opportunity to take in the wonderful CTAS live-streaming and live-timing service, to follow parts of the day.

Alastair Hoogenboezem came out in Formula Auckland, putting in some laps prior to NZSBK, but Dave Sharp and defending Series champion Craig Coulam continue to head the 1-Litre category.

Rogan Chandler is doing the same in Supersport 600, with Luca Durning injecting himself near the head of the 600 field also.

In the Carl Cox Motorsport Cup, Billee Fuller and Oliver Pykett continued their metronomic charge at the head of the Ninja and Hyosung classes respectively. Neither has dropped a race yet, and each has only missed the fastest lap bonus point in only one of the six races – meaning they each have scored 533 out of a possible 534 points – to comfortably head their classes.

Sidecar saw the Lawrance Brothers leap to the top of the points after three wins, but McArthur and Cornes snatched Race Two by a mere 0.024 seconds !

And Nick Kampenhout continued his domination of Superlite aboard the Vitpilen 701; while Luke Ryder (Aprilia) and Paul Bergmann (MT07) scored equal points in ProTwin 650, for the Round – with a pair of wins and seconds apiece.

But as with Round One of the Series, Junior had action everywhere, but most especially at the front of the field. Billee Fuller, Hamish Simpson, Haydn Fordyce, and Cameron Leslie traded blows across all four races, with barely a second between them typically. It was fabulous.

The Double-Six Motorsport KTM 390's of Simpson and Leslie, contrasted perfectly with the 300 Yamaha of Fordyce, and the 400 Ninja of Fuller, to put on a great show.

And there was plenty more to watch further back in the Junior pack – if you had the capacity to take it all in.

Class points across all the Junior category are bubbling away nicely, and these classes all now move forward to their extra Round on the Club Circuit – coming up on 5 November.

It's going to be interesting.

2022-2023 Suzuki - Auckland Motorcycle Club Series Points: (After ROUND TWO)

Points – Senior: FORMULA AUCKLAND

175	Dave Sharp
124	Craig Coulam
86	Luke Temple

Points – Senior: FORMULA AUCKLAND B (1:09s)

170	Stephen Leggett
114	Spencer Langdon
101	Lars Bojsen-Moller



Intermediate: (80) Luke Ryder (Aprilia RS660)

Points – Senior: SUPERSPORT 600

175 Rogan Chandler
128 Marcus Read-Bloomfield
100 Paul Jenkins

Points – Intermediate: SUPERLITE

165 Nick Kampenhout
100 Geoff Irving
75 Alistair Wilton

Points – Intermediate: PRO TWIN 650

148 Paul Bergmann
142 Luke Ryder
90 Shaun Parker

Points – Intermediate: 125ccGP

75 Nixon Frost

Points – Junior: SUPERSPORT 300

153 Cameron Leslie
147 Haydn Fordyce
133 Hamish Simpson

Points – Junior: NINJA 400 OPEN

175 Billee Fuller
106 Sean White
74 Blair Skelton



Junior: (46) Hamish Simpson (KTM 390)

Points – Junior: 250 PRO LITE

135 John Williams
92 Mike McKain
65 Rory Garvey
65 Ben Cook

Points – F4/F5 Buckets/Gixxer 150

100 Emma Dowman
75 Nixon Frost
66 Alexander McNab

Points – PRE 89 F2

75 Brett Butler

Points – PRE 89 F3

150 Scott Fenton

Points – SIDECARS

145 Chris Lawrance/Richard Lawrance
137 Peter Dowman/Michael Dowman
93 Dave McArthur/Doug Cornes

Points – CLUBMAN SENIOR

145 Abbin Abraham
119 Rongyuan Zhang
68 Ronan Bullock

Points – CLUBMAN JUNIOR

50 Mike Green



Carl Cox Motorsport Cup - Hyosung's

Carl Cox Motorsport Cup:

Points – NINJA CUP:

533 Billee Fuller
 415 Michael Robinson
 378 Sean White

Points – HYOSUNG CUP:

533 Oliver Pykett
 370 Elijah Daken
 302 Hadleigh Thomson

Points – WOMENS CUP:

70 Billee Fuller
 63 Megan Kemp
 56 Heidi Trigger

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Sidecars:



Senior: (15) Rogan Chandler



Senior: (19) Dave Sharp

1999 Yamaha R7 OW02:



This Rare 1999 Yamaha R7 OW02 Just Sold For Nearly £38,000 At Auction.

It has zero miles on the clock, and has lived in a climate-controlled environment all its life.

Yamaha produced this race homologation special, in order to sell just enough units of it, so that it could go World Superbike Championship racing.

Also known as the OW-02, only 500 of these bikes were ever made and sold, back in 1999.

Boasting an array of choice bits including a full Öhlins suspension, titanium valves, titanium connecting rods, twin injectors, and more - it was engineered for both the Endurance World Championship and World Superbike racing. Stock horsepower was only a claimed 106, but the purchase and installation of progressively bonkers race kits could bump it up to 135 or even 162, if you really wanted to get nuts.

According to the seller, this bike was one of six that Yamaha supplied to the Virgin Yamaha race team back in 2001. Of those six bikes, four were raced, one was set aside and kept by the team, and the last one was purchased by a member of the team. This is that last bike.







RACING CALENDAR / COMING EVENTS

December 2023

2/3	Suzuki Series – Rd 1	Taupo	
2/3	NZSBK – Rd 1	Taupo	
3	LandSpeed NZ	Goudies Road, Reporoa	(Rain Day 10 Dec)
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26	Suzuki Series – Rd 3	Cemetery Circuit	(Final)

January 2024

6/7	NZSBK – Rd 3	Ruapuna – GP Title Races	
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February 2024

9/10/11	NZSBK – Rd 5	Teretonga	<i>In conjunction with the Burt Munro Festival</i>
17/18	Buckets – Rd 1	Tokoroa	

March 2024

2/3	NZSBK – Rd 6	Hampton Downs – MotoFest	(Final) TT Titles
10	LandSpeed NZ	Goudies Road, Reporoa	(Rain Day 17 Mar)
23/24	Bucket GP	Tokoroa	

May 2024

4/5	Buckets – Rd 2	Tokoroa	
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August 2024

24/25	Buckets – Rd 3	Tokoroa	
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September 2024

28/29	Buckets – Rd 4	Tokoroa	(Final)
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November 2024

23/24	Buckets 2-Hour	Tokoroa	
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